

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A coated sintered cemented carbide body includes a cemented carbide body, a first layer adjacent the cemented carbide body, the first layer including Ti(C,N) and having a thickness of from about 3 to about 20  $\mu\text{m}$ , an alumina layer adjacent said first layer, the alumina layer including  $\alpha\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$  or  $\kappa\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$  and having a thickness of from about 1 to about 15  $\mu\text{m}$ , and a further layer adjacent the alumina layer of a carbide, carbonitride or carboxynitride of one or more of Ti, Zr and Hf, the further layer having a thickness of from about 1 to 15  $\mu\text{m}$ . A friction-reducing layer, including one or more of  $\gamma\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$ ,  $\kappa\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$  and nanocrystalline Ti(C,N) and having a thickness of from about 1 to about 5  $\mu\text{m}$ , can be adjacent to the further layer. A method to cut steel with a sintered cemented carbide body where the alumina is  $\alpha\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$  and a method to cut cast iron with a sintered cemented carbide body where the alumina is  $\alpha\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$ .